

REMARKS

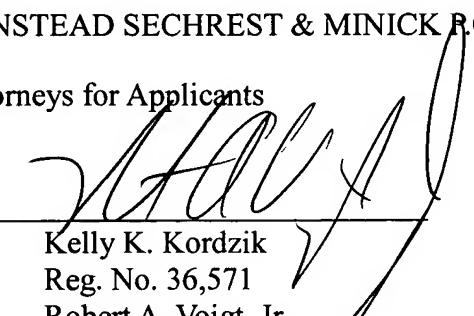
On June 7, 2005, Applicants' Attorney, Robert Voigt, Jr., had a telephone conversation with Examiner Lee regarding the inappropriate issuance of a new office action (present Office Action) reopening prosecution following the filing of an Appeal Brief. Examiner Lee indicated that the present Office Action would be removed and that the Examiner would be responding to the Appeal Brief by filing an Examiner's Answer. Accordingly, Applicants do not have to respond to the present Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner call Applicants' attorney at the below listed number if the Examiner believes that such a discussion would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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